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PECAN SUMMARY 2018

ARIZONA

Arizona's utilized pecan production in 2018 was 27.90 million pounds, down less than one-half percent from the record crop of 2017. There were 17,000 bearing acres of pecan trees, up 1,000 acres from last year. The average yield was 1,640 pounds per acre, down 110 pounds from the previous year. The 2018 price per pound in Arizona at \$1.87, was \$0.63 lower than in 2017. The value of 2018 Arizona pecan production was \$52.17 million dollars, down 25 percent from 2017.

NEW MEXICO

New Mexico's utilized pecan production in 2018 was 91.10 million pounds, down 1 percent from the record crop of 2017. There were 46,000 bearing acres of pecan trees, up 2,500 acres from last year. The average yield was 1,980 pounds per acre, down 135 pounds from the previous year. The 2018 price per pound in New Mexico at \$1.90, was \$0.50 lower than in 2017. The value of 2018 New Mexico pecan production was \$173.09 million dollars, down 22 percent from 2017.

UNITED STATES

Pecan utilized production in 2018 totaled 243 million pounds, down 20 percent from 2017. Bearing acreage was estimated at 409,900, up 1 percent from the previous year. The average yield was 593 pounds per acre, down 160 pounds from the previous year. Of the total utilized production, 206 million pounds were sold shelled and 37.4 million pounds were sold in shell. The value of the crop totaled \$425 million, down 40 percent from the previous season, with an average annual price of \$1.75 per pound.

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